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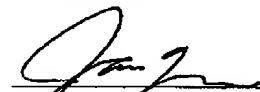
Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) for filing an RCE is \$740.00 .

1. Please consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 12, 2001 and the IDS previously submitted on December 12, 2001.
2. Applicants request that the time for response to the Final Office Action dated June 12, 2001 and for appeal from the Notice of Appeal dated December 12, 2001 be extended for a period of 5 months from February 12, 2001 to July 12, 2001. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$1,960.
3. Please charge the fee for filing an RCE and extension, estimated to be \$2700.00, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701.

Respectfully submitted,

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